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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

**ATTN.: BOX PCT APPLICATION**

Ass't. Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to the initial Office Action, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On Page 1, line 1, please insert the following paragraphs:

--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

Applicants claim priority under 35 U.S.C. §119 of Austrian  
Application No. A 996/99, filed on June 4, 1999. Applicants also  
claim priority under 35 U.S.C. §120 of PCT/AT00/00158, filed on  
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21(2) was not published in English.

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